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IN FIRST SUBSTANTIVE CO-CHAIRMAN MEETING HELD JULY 3, MACDONALD AND PUSHKIN ESTABLISHED THAT TWO BASIC ITEMS RESIDUAL BUSINESS CONFRONTING CONFERENCE ARE (1) SEATO AND (2) INTEGRATION/DEMOBILIZATION LAO FORCES.

RE SEATO, PUSHKIN HAS ATTEMPTED BACK TRACK TO EARLIER COMMUNIST POSITION, INSISTING NOT ONLY THAT SEATO BE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN TEXT DECLARATION BUT ALSO THAT SEATO COUNCIL TAKE ACTION RESPECTING LAO WISHES SEATO PROTECTION. MACDONALD TOOK POSITION SEATO COUNCIL WILL ACT ONLY IF NO SPECIFIC MENTION SEATO IN DECLARATION TEXT.

RE INTEGRATION/DEMOBILIZATION, PUSHKIN MAINTAINED HIS CONSTANT POSITION THIS DOMESTIC LAO MATTER WHICH CANNOT PROPERLY BE HANDLED IN AGREEMENTS. MACDONALD SAID ALL SIGNATORY GOVTS HAVE DIRECT INTEREST IN MILITARY INTEGRATION AND DEMOBILIZATION IN LAOS BECAUSE INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT WOULD RESULT FROM RENEWED CIVIL WAR.

REPORTS RE CONFRONTATION THESE TWO ISSUES HAVE BEEN MADE BY CO-CHAIRMEN TO ALL DELEGATIONS. OPPOSING SIDES HAVE BEGUN MANEUVERS, CONCENTRATING PARTICULARLY ON SOUVANNA AND QUINIM, IN EFFORT PRODUCE BEST POSSIBLE DRAFT TEXT FROM LAO DELEGATION.

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SOUVANNA'S PRESENT INTENTION IS APPARENTLY TO PRODUCE DRAFT WHICH HE WILL PROVIDE TO CO-CHAIRMEN AS BASIS FOR NEGOTIATION BY ALL DELEGATIONS. OUR HOPE, OF COURSE, IS TO HOLD HIM TO TEXT WHICH HE PRODUCED IN PARIS.

IN MEANTIME, HARRIMAN WORKED ON ARTHUR LALL AT LUNCH TODAY IN ORDER WIN NEUTRALIST INFLUENCE BEHIND OUR POSITION. WHILE LALL MADE NO COMMITMENTS, HE MADE APPROPRIATELY SYMPATHETIC NOISES.

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